

# Governor Abbott Signs Sunset Legislation

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Governor Greg Abbott today signed Senate Bill 20 (SB 20) and Senate Bill 60 (SB 60) to extend the expiration dates for the Texas Boards of Medical Examiners, Examiners of Psychologists, Examiners of Marriage and Family Therapists, Examiners of Professional Counselors and Social Worker Examiners, and allow these agencies to continue their regular operations and remain fully functional. This essential legislation failed to pass during the 85th regular legislative session and was the first item added to the Governor's special session call.

"Thanks to the passage of this critical legislation, Texas will now be able to continue to license new doctors and regulate the practice of medicine," said Governor Abbott. "As the first order of business on my special session call, these bills were necessary in keeping important state agencies running, and keeping Texans healthy. I would like to thank the legislature and bill authors Sen. Van Taylor and Rep. Larry Gonzales for their hard work on this must-pass legislation."